

22 Grace Avenue,
Sandenong, 3175
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Dear George,

No doubt you will be surprised to hear from me. The following will reveal the reason:-

For some time it has been my habit to listen each Sunday morning to part of the radio broadcast session from 3HO called "Australia All Over". I usually listen from 7.30 to 8.30 AM. It was, therefore, with much surprise that while listening last Sunday I heard you being interviewed by the compere concerning your desire to hear from some of your naval comrades, of earlier years, to enable you to compile a book of history.

At first, on hearing your name, I was not certain it was you, but when you indicated your father was a radio operator, and your grandfather a light-house keeper, the certainty was confirmed.

"All Over Australia" is an interesting session and it is amazing the wide field of listeners. I wish you much success in receiving the number of replies you are wanting.

My wife Joan died with cancer on 3rd June 1988, after 5 months illness. With the help of my elder daughter, Berris, who is a State Registered Nurse, with terminal illness nursing experience,

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we were able to keep Joan home. Berrie lives in Auckland N.Z. with her husband and family, but she left them for 3 months and nursed Joan at home, for which I was most grateful.

I have adapted myself to living alone and have retained my home, which gives me independence. I went to Canberra for a week last September and was able to share two meals with Joyce Voigt during that time.

Now the time passes, it is hard to accept that it is 6 years plus since the "Daws Re-Union" on 6th April 1985.

Audrey and Helma have since died, and no doubt a number of others who were at the re-union have passed on.

Please convey my greetings to Nancy and I trust you are both well, and find satisfaction in living active lives.

Should you be in Melbourne I would enjoy sharing a meal with you. (Phone - (03) 7922 922.

Sincerely,

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